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Hamilton vs. Rochester.

Today Hamilton meets Rochester University at Auburn in a dual track meet. The team has been working hard for this contest and the struggle promises to be game to the finish. Last week Rochester beat Hamilton in the Intercollegiate, but Colgate won points that the Buff and Blue expect to win today, and that will even things up. On account of the difficulty of transporting hurdles to Auburn the hurdle races will be omitted. That leaves a total of 99 points to be divided. One track man has figured it out that the score will be Hamilton 50 Rochester 49. It is hoped that the team will bring back a bigger victory than that and the college believes it can. The following men will go on the trip: Capt. Bagg, Grossmeyer, Meeker, Montgomery, Swetman '07; Babcock, H. W. Smith, Hull, G. Smith, 1908; Spencer, Wilson, Leavenworth, 1909; Baldwin, Sherwin, Leavenworth, Knox, Renwick, Burns, 1910. The following men will officiate at the meet: Referee, J. Wright, Columbia; starter, J. J. Hosmer, Hamilton; clerk of course, Mr. Stafford, Y. M. C. A.; track judges, Chas. Whelan, Williams; Dr. Lewis O'Neil, Union; R. C. S. Drummond, Hamilton; judges of weights, Wm. Callanan, A. A. H. S.; H. J. Snyder, Hamilton; J. S. Hanlan, A. A. H. S.; judges of jumps, H. L. Ferris, Hamilton; George Millard, A. A. H. S.; B. Roseboom, Hamilton; scorers, W. O. Dapping, Harvard; V. D. Holland, A. A. H. S.; Dr. Thomas Sawyer, Union; timers, N. L. Drummond, Hamilton; P. L. Sullivan, Fred Ernsberger, Colgate; Inspectors, J. E. Quinn, L. Hubbard, F. Bennett; Announcer, Wm. Corcoran, Holy Cross; asst. clerks of course, Glover, Coupe, Hamilton.

A GOOD ORATORICAL EXHIBITION

Earle Mosher Clark of Binghamton Wins Fifty-second Clark Prize Contest on Wednesday Evening. All the Contestants Made Splendid Appearances.

Last Wednesday night occurred that event toward which and from which the Seniors reckon time in spring term. K. P. was held as usual in the Stone Church, and judged by past standards the exhibition was a success. The weather was bad, but a large crowd turned out and its enthusiasm showed how deep was its interest in the exercises. White's orchestra of Utica furnished delightful music. Rev. Oliver A. Kingsbury of New Hartford delivered the invocation. Prof. Henry White, of the department of Rhetoric and Oratory, presided. The faculty acted as a committee of award and after short deliberation gave the prize to Mr. Earle Mosher Clarke of Binghamton. The announcement of his name as the prize winner was enthusiastically received. Hamilton men know what it is to win the K. P. contest and the mere announcement is praise enough.

Cady Hews Allen of Holland Patent was the initial orator; his subject "The Romance of Endurance." He said in part: This a story of self-sacrifice, a record of pain and martyrdom. Its characters are real men. Thru hardships and disappointments he held firm and today Columbus is among the immortals. Savonarola was another striking example of endurance. But Christianity furnishes the greatest examples of this romance. Consider all the horrors of terrible wrong after Paul's persecution. Centuries after, the Huguenots and Puritans leave the fatherland for the American wilderness.

Verily, what will a man give in exchange for his soul? The epitome of endurance was the Christ life. Allen has an excellent stage presence and a clear, resonant voice. He was deliberate and sincere, but at no time did he become spectacular. At some periods more enthusiasm would not have detracted from his appearance. His oration in matter and presentation was one of the most interesting.

Frederick Monroe Barrows of Clinton was the second orator of the evening, his subject being "The Brutality of Power." The lion over its fallen prey, said he, typifies the essence of brute power. But this is the course of nature and in it there is no needless suffering. Man's brutality, however, springs from selfishness and greed. It is manifested in history's chapter of tyranny. Conquests have been made, countries laid desolate, to satisfy one man's ambition. This spirit is manifested today in the greed for power which money gives. Plutocracy is oppressing poverty, and the suffering masses bear mute witness. The only solution lies in the application of Christian kindness and love. Barrows had an easy and graceful carriage. He spoke intensely, but too consciously, and was insufficiently sincere. In gesture he was excellent.

"Garibaldi" was the topic of the next orator, Mr. Earle Mosher Clark of Binghamton. He said in substance: Heroism needs no interpretation. It is elemental and appeals to all ranks

and classes. Rome and France have left us heroes typical of those nations. With no claim of birth or power of thought came Garibaldi. Oppression was everywhere. He dreamed of unity; one nation, independent, free. The unification of Italy became his passion. Even when an exile, he prepared himself for the struggle in his native land. When he returned to Italy crucial conditions prevailed. But the hero's will won, and his glowing triumphs were graphically presented. Clark was easily the best orator of the evening and compares well with the best products of Hamilton's system. He has an appealing directness and an intense passion that is contagious. He is easy on the stage, but every movement, every glance is full of meaning and power. He handled a difficult subject well. The prize was his and fairly won.

Edward C. Day of San Anselmo, Cal., followed with the same topic as Allen. To live has been the problem of each race and generation. Matter and men are always at war. But man finally comes into ascendancy, with all the love of achievement and triumphant labor keen within him. To illustrate his theme Day cited personages such as Newton, Fulton, Morse, Edison, Field and deLesseps. War also furnishes examples and of these by no means the least is the Red Cross nurse. Day suffered from an unfortunate beginning, having his voice pitched too high. His oration was one to declaim, however, and he made telling climaxes in it. He was very prone to drawl on some words, but counteracted this fault by his vehemence in other parts. He was good.

Stanley E. Gilbert spoke next on "The Passing of Absolutism." Absolutism is the necessary government for a nation in its infancy. The races of antiquity all served to illustrate this point. But absolutism perished by the force of its own reaction. There has always been a steady trend from conservatism to democracy. In America lies the ultimate test of democracy. Absolutism has done its work. It has taught men to obey that they might learn to govern. Gilbert has a finely modulated voice. He is not an enthusiastic speaker and a slight monotony

marred his appearance. He had a finely written oration and in subject matter it was one of the best of the evening.

William F. Grossmeyer of Utica closed the program with an oration on the same subject as that of the preceding speaker. The 19th century, he said, is remarkable for having witnessed the overthrow of despotism. The movement starting in America, spread to France and over all Western Europe. The central figure in all this march toward Republicanism was Napoleon, who was carried to power and fame on the wave of freedom, but was overwhelmed by it when he turned traitor to its cause. Even in Russia, its last stronghold, is the reign of absolutism doomed. Grossmeyer is the owner of a fine voice and he used it to advantage. His gestures were unique, forceful. His oration was well conceived and he delivered it in a way to impressively close a fine K. P. exhibition.

The program as a whole was excellent and the speakers were uniformly good. The topics might be criticized for dealing in such glittering generalities, but that was no fault of the speakers. It would seem that orations on subjects of present interest would be more forceful than those on airy themes which are only provocative of "spiel."

Freshman Frolic.

Donning goshoses and rain-coats, a good share of the crowd adjourned from the Clark Prize contest in the Stone Church to Society Hall last Wednesday evening, where the committee had made extensive and complete preparations to please and entertain the crowd in the annual Freshman Frolic.

The first impression of the company must have been one of the pleasantest, for the committee had expended much time in decorating and festooning. The hall was draped with red, white and blue bunting and the class colors, and college pennants, while a large banner at one end of the hall made known that this year's dance was given by the class of 1910.

Westel White of Utica furnished the

music. The selection of numbers for the program was very successful and helped materially to please the dancers.

About midnight a simple supper was served by VanSlyke of Clinton.

The patronesses were Mrs. White, Mrs. Fitch, Mrs. Shepard, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Ebeling, Mrs. Brandt and Mrs. Morrill.

The arrangements were in the hands of the following committee: R. L. Engs, chairman, L. O. Coupe, R. W. Titus, G. L. Abbott, H. A. Deimel, C. F. Brown, H. P. Bristol, C. H. Hall and H. H. Swift.

Baseball Schedule for 1907.

The season's schedule follows:

- April 20—Hamilton 16, U. F. A. 1, at Clinton.
 24—Hamilton 8, Auburn Theological Sem. 1, at Clinton.
 27—Hamilton 0, Syracuse 18, at Syracuse.
 May 1—Hamilton 7, St. Lawrence 4, at Clinton.
 8—Hamilton 11, Hobart 12, at Clinton. (11 innings.)
 9—Hamilton 2, Colgate 4, at Hamilton.
 11—Union at Schenectady (Cancelled.)
 16—Hamilton 5, Middlebury 4, at Clinton.
 22—Hamilton 5, Rochester 13, at Rochester.
 23—Hamilton 8, Hobart 15, at Geneva.
 25—Hamilton 4, Rochester 6, at Clinton.
 31—Hamilton 5, Union 14, at Clinton.
 June 5—Colgate at Clinton (Cancelled.)
 Points scored by Hamilton 71.
 Points scored by opponents 90.

Among the Colleges.

Dray, Yale '08, last Saturday established a new world's record for the pole vault, clearing the bar at 12 feet 6 inches.

In an address to the women students of Cornell last week President Schurman said that the principle and practice of co-education was absolutely settled.

Talbot, the seventeen-year-old giant of Mercersburg Academy, recently broke the world's record for throwing the twelve-pound hammer, by hurling it 193 feet.

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IT IS WITH PLEASURE that we are able to commend in terms of heartiest praise the play given last Tuesday night. From first to last, and from all view points, it was a success and a success spelled with large letters. A very comfortable balance will be turned over to the track management and this is a tribute to the performance.

But this is by no means the most important part of it. The audience was superlatively pleased. To begin with, it was a good audience, and they got their money's worth. From the beginning until the last curtain call, enthusiasm was high and everyone pronounced it "great." The cast had very evidently worked hard and their exhibition was in every way commendable. They deserve the highest praise from the college, both for their initiative and their very evident ability. Of such enterprising entertainments we cannot have too many. To Dr. Shepard and Mr. Clinton Scollard a great measure of thanks is due for their work in drilling the cast. Without their skilled assistance and direction, the play could not have been the great success that it was.

Campus Day Exercises.

Last Wednesday the usual Campus Day exercises were held at two o'clock. An innovation this year was putting Campus Day on the afternoon of K. P. instead of the Monday of Commencement Week. We believe this is an excellent idea. It adds to the excitement of the day, and will never be missed from Commencement Week at all. When Campus Day comes in such close connection with the play, the Frolic and K. P., to say nothing of the Colgate baseball game, the time is well taken up. But our weather as usual, was more favorable to ducks or Baptists than to such festivities. A heavy driving rainstorm interfered seriously with most of the proposed program.

About half-past one, the D. T. neophytes, grotesquely garbed, started off the fun by going fishing in the fountain. According to the Sophomores who supervised the exercises, it was fishing which required a lot of wading around. But when the neophytes were dismissed, a pleasing departure from the expected order of events was observed. In really no time at all, a Sophomore was swimming in the fountain, and no one was more surprised than he. Soon many members of this studious class were playing frog "in the drink." A very perfect specimen of the fountain row, most delightful of college exercises, was soon in full career. It kept up for thirty minutes, much to the edification of the spectators. The Sophomores not being dressed to fit the part were decidedly worsted.

After this manifestation of the physical side of life, came the Campus Day exercises, a species of mental gymnastics highly exhausting.

The Seniors respectfully requested attention and the entire assemblage moved to the center of the campus, the Seniors seating themselves in a large circle, after the manner of an Indian pow-wow. Robert M. Scoon was the presiding officer, and he arose to inform all of the purpose for which they had met. He was assisted in his address by numerous cat calls from his crouching classmates. He then intro-

duced Ebenezer Willis Ward Hoyt of Port Leyden, remarking in an undertone that he was an orator. Before Hoyt had finished, the facetiousness of Mr. Scoon's remark was appreciated. Mr. Hoyt described in halting diction the fine points of certain individuals about him, interchanging the notions of sublime and ridiculous with facility. His remarks were penetrated by advice from his fellows, for which he ceremoniously thanked them.

Edward C. Day, known during his course as the "Owl," then hooted and dusted his tail feathers for the recitation of what purported to be a poem. He eulogized everything from Peter Kelly to the chapel bell, in fact he expatiated upon that chapel bell with so much fervor and appealed to the Muse with such enticing lyrics, that only the rain saved him from going into a delirium of poetic ecstasy. Jupiter Pluvius was merciful and every one rushed for the chapel with Day's mournful cadences ringing in their ears.

When all were settled in the chapel Oscar W. Kuolt mounted the rostrum for the delivery of the "Ivy Oration." Kuolt was at his best and he brought to his task such perception of truth, such broadness of mind and such deliciousness of sentiment, that his auditors were visibly affected. Their sympathy for the speaker was profound.

After order had been restored A. H. Holley arose on behalf of the Juniors. He rehearsed the incidents occasioned by the rivalry of the two classes and in a few closing sentences wished the men of the departing class a sincere bon voyage. H. G. Getman responded for the Sophomores and devoted himself to a general "scurfing" of the class of 1910, ending by an expression of appreciation for the kindly aid and advice of the Senior class. Sarles was the Freshman representative and he joined the general chorus of appreciation. The exercises closed with the singing of "Carissima" by the college body.

On account of the rain the Colgate game had to be postponed. And so ended the first day of that series which launches the graduate on the "cold, cold world." And quite apart from class lines LIFE and the college give

their hearty send-off to the class of 1907. While in college, classes are not all uniformly successful, but there never was a Hamilton class, and there never will be one, that will have better stuff in it to win success in after life than this same class of 1907.

"The Mice Will Play."

LIFE congratulates most heartily the dramatic element of 1909 on their eminent success last Tuesday night at the Scollard Opera House. Aside from the financial success, the play had the audience, from the very rise of the curtain, in a delighted and continuous attention such as the old-timers claim has never before greeted a college performance. The hearty, spontaneous laughs it evoked and the vociferous applause put the production down as an unquestionable record-breaker. The lines and stage action were so perfect as to detail that they smacked patently of the hard and intelligent labor that has been devoted to the play.

It was at the end of last winter term that the plan of reviving dramatics was definitely launched. The objection that has been continually brought up against this branch of activity as being superfluous, made the embryonic players at first rather timorous. But Dr. Shepard's consenting to back the play and to give the men the benefit of his efficient histrionic knowledge, at once dispelled all pessimism and shed a lasting brightness on the prospects. To him the success of the piece is largely due. He not only rendered very valuable criticism but imbued the members of the cast with a business-like spirit which is so essential to dramatics and is so often lacking. The men themselves are the only ones who know how much the college really owes him. Thanks are also due Mr. Clinton Scollard for his share of the drilling, in co-operation with Dr. Shepard. The make-up which formed so great a feature of the play, especially in the characters of the professor and the barn-stormer, are the work of Miss Butler of the Balliol School, who also aided in manifold other ways. All this and more were the purely altruistic toil of supporters of the college

to whom much appreciation is due.

As it was way back in the nineties when the last play was produced and when college dramatics were finally given up by common consent thru lack of talent, the new enterprise of 1909 was greeted rather charily. But as the production was for a worthy cause, and as the "ladies" in the cast promised to be provocative of much laughter the seats sold well from the beginning. No extensive advertising was done, but Utica got wind of what might happen and began to plan the loyal representation that was realized.

The production presented was "The Mice Will Play." It is a most diverting comedy in four acts, full of screaming situations, and dealing with the life in a small college, thus striking home most effectively. The lines were bright and the cast eminently suited to their respective characters. Dounce, '10, deserves unqualified praise for his successful delineation of the old professor, Mr. Cotten-batten. The fact that it was hardly a week before when he was given the part makes his playing nearly marvellous. Truax, '09, who was the original man for the character, was stricken with a severe illness which precluded his appearing. This information for a short time seemed to kill the prospects, but after a long consideration of a shake-up in the cast itself, Dounce, '10, was happily hit upon, and once more the project was put on its feet. Dounce's interpretation of the right character, altho differing widely from that of Truax, was effective. Truax represented the professor as more meek, timid and benevolent than did Dounce, but the variation was of small moment.

The setting of the stage was in itself worthy of attention. There was but one room required in the scenery, but all efforts were concentrated on that with pleasing affect. The furnishing was in solid mission style and well arranged. A screen served efficiently in covering up the omnipresent statue of the *naïve* lady so graphically painted on the back curtain, and also formed a good substitute in the absence of a center exit which was required by the action of the play. The show from a money standpoint was also gratifying.

The track department will be the recipient of a most appropriate and substantial sum. It is what is vitally needed and will not only benefit the department's finances materially, but will decide summarily its prosperous future. In addition to that, the one-fourth of the receipts, which by agreement is to be retained, will be devoted to the furthering of dramatic activities, and that is a very worthy and desirable purpose. The cast bent their every effort to the financial success of the venture, paying out of their own pockets the expense of their costumes and in every way economizing. In every way the play was a success and the college is certainly proud of its able actors.

It is a subject for regret that LIFE could not issue a supplement on the play this week. Delay in receiving the necessary cuts is the reason. Barring unforeseen occurrences, such a supplement will be issued next week, with a "critique" of the individual work of the men.

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College Notes.

—Dr. Shepard sails next week for a two months' sojourn in France.

—Arrangements are being considered to give an entertainment for the benefit of Trippe '07 in Senior Week.

—Dr. Davenport was recently appointed a member of the board of managers of the Rome State Custodial Asylum.

—The alumni on the Hill this week were: Root '64, Rogers '87, Soper '04, Root '03, Root '05, Paton '06, Bloyer '06, Barrows '06, Scott ex-'07.

—The 1909 Hamiltonian board has been chosen by the respective delegations. We would suggest an early election and an immediate application to business.

—Charles Anderson, '69, was on the Hill this week. He is the Dean of Robert College in Constantinople and has been in this country on a leave of absence. Not having been back here since his graduation, the many changes on the Hill impressed him strongly.

—At the field meet of the Y. M. C. A. of Oneida County held last Saturday on Steuben field, Clinton carried off the honors with 56 points.

—Bagg '07 is planning to accompany Dr. Wood on an extended tour thru Europe this summer.

—Rain once more interfered with our baseball relations with Colgate. At Hamilton last month in a driving rain we were beaten in a mutually unsatisfactory game by a score of 3-2. The contest last Wednesday was made impossible by another inopportune shower.

Base Ball Averages.

The following is a final and official account of the baseball season, being the last report that will appear.

Batting averages:

NAME.	G.	A. B.	IB.	PCT.
Cody,	13	53	18	.339.
Salles,	2	9	3	.333.
Lovenguth,	1	3	1	.333.
Hatfield,	9	36	10	.279.
Brown,	13	54	13	.240.
Smith,	13	54	11	.236.
White,	12	43	10	.222.
J. Judson,	12	43	8	.186.
Clark,	13	54	9	.169.
S. Judson,	11	39	5	.128.
Doherty,	6	21	2	.095.
McGarry,	4	12	1	.083.
Newton,	12	29	2	.072.
Leavenworth,	2	7	0	.000.
Lloyd,	1	2	0	.000.

Team average:

	A. B.	R.	IB.	PCT.
Hamilton,	455	71	93	.204.
Opponents,	486	92	113	.232.
Team Fielding average:				
	T. C.	A. C.	PCT.	
Hamilton,	542	481	.887.	
Opponents,	564	486	.861.	

Sacrifice hits and stolen bases:

	S. H.	S. B.
Hamilton,	11	73
Opponents,	8	73

The Union Game.

Last Saturday the varsity met Union on Steuben Field and were defeated in a very loosely played game. The final score was 14 to 5 in favor of Union. The fielding of the team was especially poor, eight errors being made. Newton pitched a good game the first few innings but became so discouraged by his lack of support that he became erratic in the latter part of the game. Leavenworth, who caught in place of White, covered his position well. The

Garnet men showed good form and played very consistently all thru the game.

Union started off the first inning with two runs. The varsity in their half of the inning made three runs. In the second each scored a run and the third was a blank. In the next three innings Union made seven runs. In the seventh no runs were scored. In the eighth Union again made three runs on errors. The last inning each scored a run.

For Hamilton Clark, Judson, Brown, Leavenworth played the best games, while Harvey and Perry excelled the others on the Union team.

In this game the team showed especially the lack of good professional coaching. There are good men on the team, but when one goes to pieces they all go.

The score:—

UNION	AB.	R.	IB.	P. O.	A.	E.
Hildreth, p.	5	2	3	2	7	2
King, lf.	6	1	1	0	0	0
Davis, 3b.	5	1	0	2	3	0
Hoffman, rf.	6	1	2	1	0	0
Osborne, 1b.	5	2	2	10	0	0
La Due, cf.	4	2	2	1	0	0
Vogt, c.	5	3	1	8	1	1
Perry, ss.	5	0	2	3	1	2
Harvey, 2b.	5	2	2	0	2	1
Total.	46	14	15	27	14	6
HAMILTON.	AB.	R.	IB.	P. O.	A.	E.
Smith, lf.	5	1	2	4	0	0
Clark, 2b.	5	1	0	2	1	0
Brown, 3b.	4	0	1	1	1	1
J. Judson, ss.	3	2	0	2	3	1
Cody, 1b.	3	1	2	10	0	4
White, cf.	3	0	0	3	1	1
Hatfield, rf.	5	0	1	0	1	0
Leavenworth, c.	3	0	0	5	1	0
Newton, p.	4	0	0	0	2	0
	35	5	6	27	10	8

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Hamilton. 3 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—5

Bases stolen—King 2, Davis, Hoffman 2, La Due, Vogt 4, Harvey 3, Smith, Judson 2, Cody 2. Two base hits—Hildreth 2, Vogt. Sacrifice hit—J. Judson. First base on errors—Union 8, Hamilton 5. Left on bases—Union 7, Hamilton 9. Double plays—Hildreth to Vogt to Osborne; White to Cody; J. Judson (unassisted) Struck out—By Hildreth 4, by Newton 2. Bases on balls—Off Hildreth 5, off Newton 2. Wild pitch—Newton. Hit by pitched ball—White, Davis. Passed ball—Vogt. Time of game—2:00. Umpire—Fraser, Hamilton '08.



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